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SUBJECT: OAU CONCILIATION AND MEDIATION COMMISSION

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BECAUSE QUESTION OF COMPOSITION OF OAU ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA
"GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE" HAS ARISEN SEVERAL TIMES OVER PAST
EIGHT MONTHS, CAN WE AGREE ON THE FOLLOWING:

-- ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA COMMITTEE IS, WITH EXCEPTION NOTED
BELOW, IDENTICAL TO STANDING OAU CONCILIATION AND MEDIATION
COMMISSION ESTABLISHED IN 1973.

-- COMMISSION IS PRESENTLY CHAIRED BY NIGERIA AND ITS
OTHER MEMBERS ARE: CAMEROON, LESOTHO, LIBERIA, MAURITANIA,
SENEGAL, SUDAN AND TANZANIA.

-- FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE ETHIOPIA-SUDAN MEDIATION
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EXERCISE, SUDAN WAS TEMPORARILY REPLACED BY GAMBIA AT
THE INSISTENCE OF OAU CHAIRMAN BONGO, (REFTEL B) ASSUMEDLY
ON THE GROUNDS THAT SUDAN AND ETHIOPIA WERE PARTIES TO
DISPUTES BEING MEDIATED BY ANOTHER, AD HOC OAU GOOD OFFICES
COMMISSION.

PLEASE CONFIRM ABOVE IN ORDER SO THAT WE MIGHT INFORM

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